Recruitment of unemployed pilots of Vayudoot

1039. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Air India and Indian Airlines have been advised to recruit unemployed pilots of Vayudoot;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) whether Government propose to wind up Vayudoot?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Public Sector Undertakings under the Department of Civil Aviation have been advised to select suitable employees of Vayudoot before going to open market.

(b) Air India has recruited nine Vayudoot pilots.

(c) Various alternatives are under consideration of the Government in regard to the future set-up of Vayudoot Ltd.

Construction of Three Star and Four Star Hotels

1040. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) What steps are being taken by Government to encourage construction of three star and four star hotels all over the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that ITDC has encouraged luxury hotels only; if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) What steps are being taken to make available cheaper rooms for Indian tourists?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (c) The Government is encouraging growth of hotel accommodation in the country by giving fiscal incentives and providing loans through financial institutions. The State Governments have also been requested to provide necessary infrastructure support in this regard. Quantum of fiscal incentives is higher for 1, 2 and 3 star category hotels and construction of Yatri Niwases, Yatrikas, Tourist Complexes with accommodation, tourist bungalows etc. is also being encouraged.

(b) No, Sir. The majority of ITDC owned hotels are below 5-star category.

Changes in the Electricity Act

1041. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any changes are contemplated in the existing Electricity Act so as to comply with the condition of the World Bank loan for power projects; and

(b) if so, what are the main amendments proposed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Profit and Loss position of Airlines

1042. KUMARI SAYEEDA KHATUN:

SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plan to cut down substantially the losses incured by the Indian Airlines;

(b) what was the total loss incurred by it during the last financial year and what is the loss expected for current financial year and what is the accumulated loss so far;

(c) what is the total loss suffered so far by the Vayudoot; what was its loss during the last year and what is expected in the next financial year and what are the plans for revamping it; and

(d) what is the profit and loss position of Air India at present?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The estimated losses of Indian Airlines during 1990-91 and 1991-92 are Rs. 82.95 crores and Rs. 64.80 crores respectively. Indian Airlines has no accumulated losses prior to 1990-91.

(c) Vayudoot has incurred a cumulative loss of Rs. 128 crores (approximately) upto the year 1990-91. During the year 1990-91, it suffered a loss of Rs. 36.49 crores (approx.). It is incurring an estimated loss of nearly Rs. 2.7 crores per month during the current financial year. Various alternatives are being considered by the Government for the future set up of Vayudoot.

(d) Air India has earned a net profit of Rs. 81.23 crores (provisional estimates) during the year 1990-91.

लद्दाख में पर्यटन

1043. **डा. रत्नाकर पाण्डेय :** क्या **नागर विमानन और पर्यटन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) जम्मू और कश्मीर राज्य के लद्दाख क्षेत्र में पर्यटन को बढ़ावा देने के लिए विभिन योजनाओं में वित्तीय संस्थाओं द्वारा कितनी धनराशी लगाई गयी है;

(ख) उस पर प्रति वर्ष राज्य सरकार को ब्याज के रूप में कितनी धनराशि का भुगतान करना पड़ता है ; और

(ग) लद्दाख में पर्यटन की गति को बनाये रखने के लिए सरकार क्या कदम उठा रही है ?

नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री (श्री माधव राव सिंधिया) : (क) और (ख) 1987-1991 की अवधि के दौरान, भारतीय औद्योगिक विकास बैंक ने राज्य स्तर के संस्थानों/बैंकों को परिवहन एवं होटल उद्योग संबंधी 115 स्कीमों के लिए उनके ऋणों के संबंध 1 325 85 लाख रुपये का पुन : वित्त-पोषण सहायता स्वीकृत की है । पुन: वित्त-पोषण सहायता की इस स्वीकृत राशि से 215.92 लाख रुपये की राशि वास्तव में संवितरित की गई है । राज्य सरकार इन ऋणो पर ब्याज का भुगतान करने के लिए बाध्य नहीं है ।

(ग) उठाए गए कदमों में लद्दाख में क्षेत्र में पर्यटन आधारित संरचना को सुदृढ़ बनाना और भारत तथा विदेशों में संवर्धन एवं प्रचार शामिल है ।

मध्य प्रदेश में गैस एजेंसियों और पेट्रोल पम्पों का आबंटन

1044. **श्री अजीत जोगी :**
श्री राधाकिशन मालवीय :

क्या **पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) मध्य प्रदश मे पिछले दो वर्षों में कितने व्यक्तियों को गैस एजेंसियो और पेट्रोल पंप आबंटित किए गए है ;

(ख) उनमें से अनुसूचित जातियों, अनुसूचित जनजातियो और अल्पसंख्यक समुदायों के व्यक्तियों की संख्या कितनी है ; और

(ग) चालू वर्ष के दौरान आबंटित की जाने वाली एल.पी.जी. एजेंसियों और पेट्रोल पम्पों की संख्या कितनी है और उनमे से अनुसूचित जातियों, अनुसूचित जनजातियों और अल्पसंख्यक समुदायों